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Weather Forecasts for To-day.

California—Fair weather; northwesterly

winds; warmer.

Oregon and Washington—Light rain; variable

winds; slightly warmer.

THE MISSISSIPPI FLOODS.

The gratifying news is at hand that the

high water in the Mississippi and the

country it has overflowed is receding, and

the outlook for the people returning to

their homes in a fortnight, or even less, is

now good. It is impossible at this time to

approximate with any degree of accuracy

to the money value of the damage the

great flood has caused. There are features

of misery about it that cannot be consid-

ered in connection with money damages.

The hundreds of homes destroyed in many

cases cannot be restored, for the courses of

the river will be changed here and

there, and the people, in other cases, are

too aged to begin the task of clearing

away the deposits for the purposes of new

homes. When the flood waters shall have

entirely receded, there will still be room

and call for the exercise of the benevolent

impulses of those who have means.

General Greely, the Chief Signal Officer of

the United States, in writing to the *North**American* Review of the flood and the

causes of the freshets in the Mississippi

river, clears away some wrong impressions

that have obtained. He says that the

freshets of the river and its important

tributaries are not due to the melting of

winter snows; but since the upper Mis-

issippi valley freshet occurs as late as

April and the floods of the Missouri occur

in June and July, and further, as both of

these rivers are at a low stage during Fe-

bruary and March, they cannot and do not

materially contribute to the floods of the

lower Mississippi, which occur in late

March and early April; that if all the

water in the upper Mississippi and lower

Missouri rivers was impounded, leaving

St. Louis a city on a dry creek, the

floods on the lower Mississippi would none

the less continue; that the floods in the

central Mississippi valley, between Cairo

and Red River Landing, could not be ma-

terially ameliorated by increasing the

number of outlets into the gulf below Red

River Landing, since, as the cut-off mea-

sure shows, the Mississippi river is unable

to carry back full the flood which

pours by Vicksburg in freshet years; that

the floods in the Mississippi valley below

the mouth of the Red river, are in a

measure, distinctive floods, and that their

treatment must be individual, as they are

somewhat independent of the central Mis-

issippi valley, where the flood periods are

much prolonged beyond their prevalence

in the delta region. In fact, any method

which increases the flow of the river or

the rapid discharge of water from the

Mississippi valley above Vicksburg must

inure to the disadvantage of the delta

country. On the other hand, the aug-

mentation of the flow of water in the delta

country can only incidentally and slightly

ameliorate the flood conditions of the cen-

tral Mississippi region.

THE BAWDY PRESS.

Some of the press are afraid of Mr.

Sweeney's proposal law excluding im-

moral papers from the mails. What has

the decent paper to fear? Who cares if

the Venuis-miscellany classes of papers are

hurt or put under the ban of what they

please to term "censorship"? Here is

the Chicago *Herald* saying of the bill: "If

it were enacted the whole newspaper press

of this country would exist merely by the

grace and forbearance of Anthony Com-

stock and the Postmasters. Under

it every newspaper in Chicago, for instance,

during the Cronin trial, might have been

excluded from the mails."

Not so. If the reports of the Cronin

trial were unfit to be read in the office,

home or street, then they should not have

been printed. But we do not recall

that they were indecent, hence we say

"not so." For the Postmasters would not

be the censors, but the Courts of the

land, the decisions of which would, under

such a law, be the rule of judgment in print.

Against such judgment it is not at all

likely that there would be taken an ap-

peal to the Court of Appeals. Printing a

paper is a great and useful business;

printing a filthy and demoralizing sheet,

rank with lust, dripping with nastiness,

insidous in its attacks upon virtue and

cowardly in its efforts to corrupt the

taste and inflame the passions of youth,

is a business that is but a shade above that

of the assassin of coin. To preserve the

liberty of the press the American people

would fight out another long and bloody

war; but there is not a man in the Union

who would volunteer to take up arms in

the defense of the "right" of the police and

moral atmosphere of the land. No liberty

of the press will be assailed by suppression

of the hawky paper.

The Russian officials have in the most

emphatic language denied the truth of the

charges George Keenan made in the Cen-

two articles concerning the prisons of Russia in Siberia and the inhuman treatment of Siberian exiles, and especially Keenan's statement touching the working of prisoners in the Kara mines. But the American has fairly and squarely met his accusers. The proposition he makes to the Russian Government is one that the officers cannot refuse without practically retracting their charge of falsehood. Mr. Keenan says that at the coming Prison Congress to be held in St. Petersburg, he will appear, if permitted and assured that he will not be molested, and will furnish the Congress with the names of witnesses to the truth of his statement if the Government will guarantee that the witnesses shall be summoned, and that they will not be punished for testifying. This is certainly an offer that restores tone to Keenan's charges against Russia. Of course, he could not, without the aid of the Russian Government, compel the attendance of witnesses, nor would any man expose them, when summoned, to torture for testifying, except, perhaps, the Russian officials, who appear to be insensible to the judgment of civilization that the Russian method with its political prisoners is infamous.

At the English Lutheran Church (Pioneer Hall), Rev. S. B. Barnitz, Western Secretary of Lutheran Home Missions, assisted the pastor, Rev. W. S. Hoskinson, and preached yesterday morning and evening. The evening sermon was based upon Revelations ii. 10: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." The speaker said: The text is a part of the epistle addressed to the church in Smyrna—one of the seven churches of Asia. It is beautiful in language, and contains sympathy, exhortation and encouragement. Opening with a statement of some of the attributes of the Savior telling of His being the first and the last, of His having been dead, but alive again, it is well calculated to impress the mind deeply and fervently. The speaker, Rev. H. W. Barnitz, is the author of "Faithfulness Brings the Crown"—Sermon by Rev. Barnitz of Iowa.

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## SUMMER CONCERTS.

THERE WILL BE FEASTS OF MUSIC THIS COMING SEASON.

The Open-Air Concert Meeting - Committees Appointed to Push the Matter to Success.

It is pretty safe to say that there will be open-air concerts this summer, and more of them than have heretofore been given during any previous season. This will depend, however, on the public spirit of the citizens, and if the canvassing committees meet with liberal responses, as undoubtedly they will, there is every reason to believe - from the activity shown by the executive committee in the matter - that this year's season of concerts will far eclipse all former efforts. The committee have already held a meeting, and all the preliminaries have been arranged.

Chairman J. G. Martine presided, and in calling the meeting to order thanked the committee and citizens for the honor conferred selecting him as President, and said he felt assured that, with the hearty co-operation of the executive and other committees, that would be equal if not ahead of any season ever yet held in this city. He hopes, when the committees called on our merchants and others, that all would contribute something, as these did a great deal of good, in advancing the idea of having a permanent home. Handbills have been distributed throughout the surrounding country to be present at this outdoor amusement. But this was not all. Many families are there, and are pleased us, as has been the case, to be associated with an over-abundance of the best goods, and who, with large families, cannot afford to visit the seaside in the fashionable season, attend these open-air concerts? To this we add a great blessing, as well as to all others who enjoy an evening of sweet music during the balmy summer evenings.

The following committees were then appointed: the President, Treasurer and Secretary to be included as ex officio members of each:

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"Truly yours, etc." A number of books have been purchased in compliance with a resolution of the Legislature, and the amount of money before departments in the Library sited on the road to complete greater authority does a hard task. A State Library Trustee, who is the power that it is their duty to trustee of these assets, said I can't get the power to do this, but it had not been for me to make the statement that there would not be a amount turned over to the trust.

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Mr. W. A. Briggs during the months of September, October and November, 1889. None of the outstanding orders have been given since October, and the amount which was given on the 13th of January. Many of the orders date back as far as 1886, which in several instances can be proven by the Library catalogue, which was well prepared.

It is shame that anyone who regards the truth, and who believes in the existence of an Almighty God, could have the nerve to furnish a newspaper with a statement that \$20,000 worth of books were ordered during the last month of my administration.

There is not \$6,000 worth of books coming from England, nor anywhere near that amount.

A. C. Freeman, ex-President of the Board, has never refused to approve the bills, and has not been asked by the Board of Trustees, nor any authority, to do so. I am officially informed that the only request of the present Board of Trustees regarding the return of books is that they be returned.

I have always carefully examined the bills, and when the prices were reasonable approved them. When they were too high requested for correction and, etc.

The game was the best one played here this season, the Senators putting up magnificent ball.

Stapleton was the only one who had an error, and it was an excusable one. He muffed a foul fly, the batter subsequently getting to first.

As a fitting element in the contest, Donahue unpicked splendidly, being strictly impartial, and no one decision was questionable.

Harper was in great form and never pitched a better game. The bases on balls he gave were widely distributed, and he struck out eight men.

Norris O'Neill struck out twice, and the crowd was cheering him from the surrounding country to be present at this out-door amusement. But this was not all. Many families are there, and are pleased us, as has been the case, to be associated with an over-abundance of the best goods, and who, with large families, cannot afford to visit the seaside in the fashionable season, attend these open-air concerts? To this we add a great blessing, as well as to all others who enjoy an evening of sweet music during the balmy summer evenings.

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Minister Reed Gives a Grand Reception and Ball.

## FRENCH MONEY MARKET SHAKEN.

Russia is Evidently Afraid of Germany—Latest Gossip from Berlin and London.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

## GERMAN MATTERS.

A Newspaper Makes Serious Charges Against Bismarck.

BERLIN, May 11th.—The Reichstag, beginning its active labors on Monday, has adjourned until June 20th. Not much will be heard of the bill for the benefit of workmen before adjournment.

The labor protection bill was issued on Wednesday, securing a number of changes to the main proposals tending to make illusory the main object of the measure, giving employers means of escaping them. Thus, under special circumstances, employers can be authorized to fix the hours limiting the work of children under 13 years of age, and youths under 16 to ten.

Another clause provides that employees to the managers or foremen, thus opening the way for evasions and making men of answerable instead of principals.

Another labor conference, which will have influence in molding the final form of the bill, will be held here. The Emperor intends to summon delegates from the Empire to be present. A portion of the bill will be voted on June 20th.

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Meeting in Hyde Park.

LONDON, May 11th.—Railway employees have agreed to a 10-hour day. Additions were made by Burns and Graham, and resolutions were passed advocating fifty-four hours as a maximum limit for a week's work. Everything was conducted in an orderly manner, and there were no disturbances.

Collapse of a Building.

BERLIN, May 11th.—The Allzills, a fort near Namur, where the erection of buildings are being carried on, was the scene of a fatal accident. A portion of the roof collapsed and twenty men were buried in debris. Five horses have been recovered. Twelve other persons injured.

Municipal Hall.

TIENTSIN, May 11th.—Li Hung Chang, who had been to the Empress, opened to-day open the municipal hall which is named after General A. A. (Chinese) Gordon. At the banquet following the opening, Denby, the American Minister, presented the seal of the Chinese legation, which is the labor scheme aiming to give imperial control of workingmen, with purchase power over salaried leaders. Society, like Volney, Leibnitz and Babel, also have independent considerations, will resent the Emperor's offers.

Bismarck, during the week, received several communications from the Emperor, in friendly terms, but practically supporting the bill, from which it should involve political inaction.

Hucke and Poschner stayed two days at Friederichsruhe, and left impressed with the ex-Chancellor's confidence in the Emperor's policy.

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George Francis Train.

LONDON, May 11th.—George Francis Train, for the first time in the Exchequer, on May 10th, in the House of Commons, spoke in favor of the bill, and said he would have plumped for it.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

Russia Shows the White Feather in the Schmidt Case.

LONDON, May 11th.—Captain Schmidt, formerly of the Russian service, but henceforth a German pensioner, may thank the influence of the German Embassy to the effect that he is to be allowed to remain in England.

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English Politics.

Irish Prisoners Cruelly Treated—The Land Purchase Bill.

LONDON, May 11th.—In every way sensational is the Blue Book report issued by a special committee appointed to inquire into the cruel treatment of the American prisoners confined in the Chatham prison. The former newspaper inquiry, of course, but the Irish party intend to raise a vigorous debate in the Commons upon it and get the details before the public in full.

"The report," it says, "has given the complaints of the prisoners being treated with special severity have been sustained, although the action of the prison authorities in treating them is justly justified by the committee on the ground that the officers for whom they are serving are deserters."

The evidence shows that John Day Egan and Dr. Gallagher have experienced the utmost torture at the hands of the wardens, and have been punished severely for trivial breaches of prison discipline.

In the case of Day, particularly after his refusal to perform his duty at the instigation of Piggott and the Times, he was subjected to greater harshness than before.

He was nearly poisoned with doses of belladonna on three occasions, but the committee has reported that this was part of the punishment.

The report says that the men who were confined in Scotland should be exchanged to Spanish prisons, so that they may receive the visits of their friends, to which they are entitled under English law, and that the distance and poverty of their relatives have prevented them from receiving.

The report, on the whole, shows that confinement in any English prison for an offender is worse than that in Irish prisons.

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"The boy, after he came here last night," began the youth again, "was quite a party with the most popular lady, while the music hissed and groaned and sighed and moaned, and the red-haired man desperately clutched the hand of the girl he loved, and it one bit. It was on with the dance, the joy, the unconfined! and Jack dance with the heimstanz, and the fellow with the pink tie and fishy eyes flew around wildly with a general hub-bub. A gold watch was awarded to the most popular lady, while the music hissed and groaned to keep still, and told me that it was the style. I suppose after they get used to it they'll go to balls dressed like the aborigines."

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"She said," began the youth again, "that he needn't get mad 'cause you come to see her, as you was a soft snap and was going to be a debt of \$10,000.00. It was with speculations in lands at Nice that the Credit Foncier began to lose money. The heavy sums were also lost in speculations in real estate in the Marbois quarter of Paris. half the houses of which are still standing. The scars have already spread, and to-day nearly all the smaller ones were sold at decreasing rates.

The Judge of the Police Court which is sitting on the Compagnie d'Escompte will be nothing. It appears that the status of the Credit Foncier, owing to the reckless speculations of Christopher and other Directors, is still the same. He is obliged to take to another account to-day, when they were found to be a debt of \$10,000.00. It was with speculations in lands at Nice that the Credit Foncier began to lose money. The heavy sums were also lost in speculations in real estate in the Marbois quarter of Paris. half the houses of which are still standing. The scars have already spread, and to-day nearly all the smaller ones were sold at decreasing rates.

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